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SUBJ: SC DEBATE ON NAMIBIA: STATEMENT BY MAURITIAN PERM

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1) DEPT. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY VIEWS RE PROPOSED APPROACH TO GOM CONCERNING AMB. RAMPHUL BY BOTH USG AND UK AS SUGGESTED REFTEL A. SPECIFICALLY DEPT. WOULD LIKE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS ON PROBABLE CHANCE OF SUCCESS OF ANY SUCH APPROACH, AS WELL AS POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF AN UNSUCCESSFUL APPROACH BOTH IN TERMS OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS AND OUR BEING ABLE TO INFLUENCE PM RAMGOULAM AND GOM IN FUTURE ON IMPORTANT UN ISSUES.

2) WHILE DEPT. SHARES CONCERN OF USUN RE RAMPHUL'S CONDUCT
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IN NEW YORK AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE REPLACEMENT, WE RECOGNIZE THAT THIS IS EXTREMELY SENSITIVE MATTER AND WE WOULD WANT TO HAVE EMBASSY'S SUGGESTIONS BEFORE DECIDING WHETHER TO DISCUSS WITH BRITISH THEIR WILLINGNESS TO MAKE JOINT APPROACH.

3. IN CONSIDERING THIS ISSUE, YOU SHOULD BEAR IN MIND INDICATIONS THAT MAURITIUS MAY USE OAU CHAIRMANSHIP TO SHOOT FOR 1977-78 SEAT ON SC REPLACING TANZANIA. IF RAMPHUL WERE STILL PERMREP WE WOULD TAKE DIM VIEW OF SUCH CANDIDACY. INGERSOLL

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